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Reports thus far received by Superintendent of Public Instruction LaFollette indicate that the celebration of the seventy-second anniversary of the admission of Indiana into the Union was observed on Tuesday throughout the State. In Boone county school took part in the celebration. Hendricks county schools give an account of a pleasant observance of the day there, and from Floyd county one of the pupils writes to express his satisfaction with the programme as arranged, and especially with the selections made for oratorical purposes, one of which he declared as part of the exercises of the school to which he is attached.

The Policemen's Ball.
The ball given by the Metropolitan police force in Tomlinson Hall, last night, for the benefit of Charles Clark, a member of the force who recently lost a foot by falling under a train, was attended by 1,000 or more people, and was a very pleasant affair in every particular. Dancing began at 9 o'clock and was kept up until early this morning. The music for the occasion was furnished by Miller's band. Almost 1,000 people purchased tickets who did not attend the ball, and it is estimated that nearly \$2,000 was obtained for the beneficiary.

Terre Haute's Republican Club.
Articles of incorporation were filed yesterday with the Secretary of State by the Columbia Club, of Terre Haute, an organization formed for the purpose of advocating the principles of the Republican party, and for the moral, social and intellectual improvement of its members. The club starts out with a membership of one hundred and fifty.

New hat-racks at Wm. L. Elder's.

SUDDEN ACTION OF SELLERS

He Says the Duties as District Attorney and His Legal Practice Conflict.

But His Resignation, Coming at This Time, Puzzles Personal and Party Friends—How It Is Regarded at Washington.

The announcement of the resignation of Emory B. Sellers as United States district attorney, while looked upon as a probability without any immediate significance, came so suddenly, yesterday, to those who are intimate with him that they commented on it incredulously. Less than a week ago, in conversation with a Journal reporter, Mr. Sellers referred to his purpose to resign on account of business considerations. "But," said he, "I will not give up the office until certain matters that require the district attorney's attention are settled. That may be six months, and probably nine months hence. I want to complete the condemnation suits connected with the property that is to be used for the extension of the postoffice building. Then there are other cases with which I am familiar that require my attention. I will not resign for sometime, and certainly not before the 4th of March."

As late as last Monday, just before Mr. Sellers left for Monticello, he told Judge Claypool in effect the same thing. He even went further with that gentleman in giving reasons why he wished to remain in office until certain official business, of the details of which he had a more intimate knowledge than any one else, was finally settled. The Judge, who was associated with him in the tally-sheet trials, and who had been appointed to assist in the defense of Marshal Hawkins, against whom several damage suits are pending, advised Mr. Sellers to withhold his resignation. He did this because he believed Mr. Sellers had acquired a knowledge of the criminal practice of the court that a new district attorney could not gain without months of reading and study. When the two separated, Judge Claypool was under the impression that the resignation would not be sent to the President for months to come. On the other hand, Mr. Sellers had told a gentleman who holds in a measure his confidence that he not only intended to resign at once, but that the resignation had been sent to Washington and he expected it to be accepted on Tuesday.

Why Mr. Sellers should be so mysterious concerning this act was puzzling both to those who were confidently aware of his intention and to those who thought the official was telling them facts when he said the resignation was a matter of future consideration. It was to the latter, when speaking of the matter, he represented his sole cause for resigning would be the demand his professional business outside of the office made upon him. The legal mind of Reynolds & Sellers, at Monticello, has a large practice. "It is one," said the junior member a day or two ago, "that I cannot afford to lose even for an official position like the one I now have and which I would like to retain for my full term. But my partner being a candidate for circuit judge caused me this summer to remain at Monticello and look after the affairs of our clients in the courts. I have been doing two men's work in order to retain the practice that the firm has gained. Now that Reynolds is elected judge, and the same conditions exist, and if I am not at Monticello there is a risk of my losing a business that is more profitable than my official position."

During the present term of the United States District Court and sitting of the grand jury, Mr. Sellers has appeared only in the trial of cases, while his assistants, Leon O. Bailey and Charles of the investigations before the jury. To the latter the district attorney gave but little attention beyond preparing indictments, a work in which he was engaged as late as Saturday last. It was Mr. Sellers' care in writing out indictments that suggested to Judge Claypool another reason why he should withhold his resignation. "No one," said the Judge yesterday, "could do it better than he, and for a new district attorney to acquire his efficiency would take some time. To know how to prepare an indictment is rather important at this time. Other friends of Mr. Sellers thought his services would be especially valuable on account of the expectations of some concerning the grand jury's action. "It is probable," said one of them, "that Sellers knows enough of what the grand jury is able to do relative to the Dudley matter to believe that no case can be sustained against the Dudley family unless the testimony is stronger and more explicit than the jury has been able to obtain. With a probable failure in prosecuting Colonel Dudley thus confronting him, and the urgency of his party friends on the other hand pushing him to have the indictment brought, Sellers may have decided to bear the criticism and denunciation of Democratic partisans rather than have his professional pride suffer in an unsuccessful attempt to convict a man when he thinks he has not enough testimony to warrant a trial. Sellers has already gained the ill will of the intense Democratic partisans. The bitterness of their feeling toward him can be stronger now, nor can his chances of political support from them be improved by his doing what they want done. His earnestness and sincerity in presenting Coy, and his well known desire to have certain persons indicted with Coy punished, place him beyond any hope of ever gaining the good will of the tally-sheet conspirators' friends or that of his party-managers. By resigning he loses nothing, so far as future political preference is concerned, for his position, in that respect, was already settled. On the other hand, he will retire to take charge of a large law practice. It may be, though, that his wish to escape the appeals of party friends to remain in office until Colonel Dudley was indicted and arrested, led him to be so secretive about his purpose to resign."

Another suggestion as to this secrecy is made by those conversant with the relations the district attorney and his assistants, Mr. Bailey, held to each other. It is known that Sellers would have preferred from the beginning of his official career to have any other person but Bailey in the office. "The latter's connection, as his assistant, with Sellers is forced," said another of the district attorney's friends yesterday. "It goes back to the candidacy of Turpie for the United States Senate. Back to the caucus that nominated him, and then runs along in close relation with all the exciting proceedings that attended Green Smith's usurpation. Sellers acted with the Smith faction because he wished them to keep in line with his party. Bailey assumed to be the leader of that faction, because he was ready to do what no other Democrat would do. He was on the floor of the Senate what Smith was in the preceding officer's desk. He gave a completeness to the personnel of the hall-dancers, while Sellers was ready upon to look after the parliamentary points in the contest. As the Democratic Senators always in caucus voted 16 for to 15 against Smith, while presenting a solid front on the floor of the Senate, the critical situation Turpie's chances for election were in can be appreciated. Sellers was never a Turpie man, and it is thought he was kept in line by the promise that he should have the district attorney's office in the event of Turpie's election. But Bailey's friends made the promise conditional by requiring from Sellers the assurance that Bailey should be his assistant. If he would not consent to that then he might go over to the enemy; but Sellers had gone too far in supporting Smith's pretensions solely on account of party advantage to retire from that side with any hope of political safety. He remained an adherent of Smith, he accepted the district attorney's office, and took Bailey with it. Heretofore district attorneys have selected their own assistants. Sellers did not, and in being so secret about his resignation he doubt wished to head off any requests to the President to make Bailey his successor. It is believed, too, that the urgency of the President and Attorney-general to have Sellers remain in office is to escape appointing Bailey."

The Journal's correspondent at Monticello saw Mr. Sellers at the office yesterday, and to the question, "What have you to say about your resignation?" the district attorney said: "It is true I have resigned, in order that I may give my whole attention to my legal business here. Since my former partner, Hon. A. W. Reynolds, has been elected to the circuit bench my business has needed my entire attention and I have not been able to neglect it. To continue to hold the office, I must, to some extent, neglect my public duty or my private business. "Is there anything in the rumor that you should come prosecuting the violators of election laws in this State at the last election?" "My official conduct ought to be a sufficient answer to any such insinuations. My resignation is merely a matter of business, and besides, I had decided to resign before any election cases were reported to my office."

"Who is likely to succeed you?"

"Of that I do not desire to speak."

"It is rumored that Thomas L. Sullivan, late

Democratic candidate for circuit judge of Marion county, is to draw the prize. Is it true?" "I do not know. I hope he may, and his appointment would be an eminently proper one. "Is Mr. Bailey, your assistant, a candidate?" "I do not know. "When did you conclude to resign?" "On the morning after the election, when I learned Judge Keynolds had been elected. Many of my personal friends knew weeks ago that I intended to resign, and I have made no secret of it."

"Has Attorney-general Garland requested you to withdraw your resignation?"

"If he were true I would not talk about it; but I have given the matter due consideration, and will adhere to the resignation."

Whatever may have been Mr. Sellers' motives in keeping his intention from confidential friends, it is certain that no one but his wife and one friend of the district attorney knew of the resignation having been sent to Washington.

Will Not Be Accepted.
Special to the Indianapolis Journal.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Great surprise was created among the Indiana Democrats, as well as Republicans, in Washington, by the announcement made in an Indianapolis dispatch, this morning, that United States District Attorney Sellers had resigned, and that the Hon. John A. Logan, of Indianapolis, was particularly undesirable that he should retire while the election-fraud cases are yet pending, etc., intimating that the election investigations have something to do with his desire to retire to private life. As soon as the information was received, Senator Voorhees, Representative Byrum and others called upon President Cleveland to see whether the resignation would be accepted, and, if so, who would likely be appointed. One of those who saw the President said to the Journal correspondent to-night: "Mr. Sellers' resignation will not be accepted. The President says the district attorney has given no good reason for desiring to quit his post of duty at this time, and that he must remain to the end of his administration. He says that if Mr. Sellers is embarrassed with the necessity of prosecuting personal friends, in either the Democratic or Republican parties, for frauds in the recent election, it is the misfortune of the officer, and that the interest of the government and the people should not be permitted to suffer."

"Can Mr. Sellers be compelled to continue in the performance of his duties whether he desires to do so or not?" "The President says the law never contemplated that a judicial position should be vacant except through death or incapacity, and that under the oath taken Mr. Sellers will have to stay at his post unless he gives a constitutional reason for desiring to retire."

"Do you think he can get out of the office?" "I don't believe he will."

"If his resignation should be accepted for any reason would Assistant Attorney Leon Bailey be appointed?"

"No; if for no other reason, because he could not be confirmed. A Republican Senator would not confirm the nomination of a man who had so recently vilified General Harrison. And Sullivan would not be appointed, either."

Amusements.
Miss Bindley and her company are filling the Park at every performance. There will be a change of bill to-day, for the rest of the week, Joquin Miller's strong play, "The Danites," being given with the star as "Billie Piper."

Among the novelties to be seen in "Terry, the Swell," which will be presented at English's to-morrow night and at both performances Saturday, are three horses and a dog-cart, a working steam fire-engine and a burning steamer. The piece is said to be very entertaining, and has made a hit elsewhere. Harry B. Bell is the star.

The best purely dramatic attraction Indianapolis has had this season will be E. H. Sothern and his company, who will present "Lord Chumley," at the Grand, the first three nights of next week. The comedy was written for him, and had a prosperous run of three months at the Lyceum Theater, New York. It will be presented here by the original company intact, and scenic features they employed. Mr. Sothern is considered the best young comedian on the stage, and his success in "Lord Chumley" has been almost phenomenal.

Public curiosity is evidently greatly aroused to see and hear Mrs. Shaw, the famous whistling prima donna, who is to give a concert at the Grand, to-morrow night, when she will be assisted by Signor Tragapetra, Miss Olive Torbett and others. There was a large advance sale of seats yesterday. Miss Shaw is not only a wonderfully beautiful woman, but her whistling has created a sensation, both here and abroad.

Bill Nye and J. W. Riley will appear at the Grand Opera-house, Saturday night, in their imitable entertainment. Nye's remarkable personal experiences are told with dry humor, in which run a vein of pathos, and occupy about one-third of the time of the entertainment. Riley's character sketches in the Hoosier dialect meet with storms of applause wherever given.

The Elk's benefit performance at English's Opera-house, to-morrow night, will be assisted by Signor Tragapetra, Miss Olive Torbett and others. There was a large advance sale of seats yesterday. Miss Shaw is not only a wonderfully beautiful woman, but her whistling has created a sensation, both here and abroad.

The Judicial Conference.
The judicial conference of the M. E. Church is still in session at Roberts Park Church, and it will likely continue for several days before all the appeals it has in hand are fully considered. The Cincinnati, Southeastern and Northwestern Indiana conferences are represented on the board. This court of appeals is something new in the church government. Formerly, all cases of the kind were settled in the general conferences, but the special court now has the authority to dispose of them. The cases being heard come from Iowa, Ohio and Indiana conferences. Most of this judicial work of the church now falls to Bishop Merrill, who is regarded as the lawyer on the board of bishops. Yesterday was spent in reviewing evidence in several cases.

Indorsed by the Knights.
Commercial Assembly, No. 8032, Knights of Labor, last night indorsed the candidacy of James B. Wilson for Door-keeper of the House of Representatives of the coming Legislature. The resolutions passed characterize him as a true Knight of Labor, and a gentleman well fitted for the position.

A Detective Arrested.
Frank C. Lloyd, who has a detective agency here, went to Martinsville yesterday to visit his family who reside there. He was arrested and placed under bond to appear in an indictment returned by the grand jury just adjourned.

Prostrated by Paralysis.
August M. Kuhn, collector of customs, was called to Detroit several days ago as a witness in the trial of Saunders for smuggling opium, and while there was stricken with paralysis. He was brought home last evening in a critical condition.

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